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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

1. AT THE PRESENT TIME THE GOI IS PROPOSING THAT THEIR FOREIGN MINISTER ACCOMPANY THE TWO PRESIDENTS FROM KEFLAVIK INTO REYKJAVIK UPON THEIR ARRIVAL. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR MAKING REPRESENTATIONS TO THE FRENCH IN AN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN THEIR AGREEMENT ON SUGGESTING TO THE GOI THAT THE FM ACCOMPANY HIS COUNTERPART, SECRETARY ROGERS OR FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER, RATHER THAN THE PRESIDENTS. WE PREFER TO RESERVE PRESIDENTS SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH ICELANDIC LEADERS FOR LATER OFFICIAL MEETING. WE UNDERSTAND INFORMALLY THAT THE GOI HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS PROPOSAL BUT OBVIOUSLY WOULD PREFER THAT THE SUGGESTION COME FROM BOTH FRENCH AND US SIDES. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAS INFORMED ADVANCE PARTY IN ICELAND THAT HE DOES NOT WISH TO PROPOSE THIS CHANGE TO HIS GOVERNMENT. APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING SUCH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE IN AN EFFORT TO PRESENT

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